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MULTIVARIATE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 12, 2005, having a shortened three-month statutory period for reply that expires on November 14, 2005, since November 12, 2005 was a Saturday. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

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No Amendments are made in this paper.

A **Listing of Claims** is included for the convenience of the Examiner, starting on **page 3** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on **page 8** of this paper.